REPORT OF CAREGIVERS OF WOLFEBORO AREA

This past November we changed our name to Caregivers of Southern Carroll County and Vicinity, Inc. This was done to pave the way for qualifying as a 501(c)-3 agency.

We are an all volunteer organization without incomes or an office, and we have no overhead but still incur expenses, the greatest of these being the mileage reimbursement of our drivers. We provide transportation to local communities and long distance destinations such as Massachusetts, Maine and various Medical centers throughout New Hampshire. Our reimbursement is currently \$.40 per mile. We are always happy to accept donations.

Our services are available to all citizens in Alton, Ossipee, Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro at no charge. .

January through November of 2009 our drivers have traveled 47,717 miles. With the current economy, more of our volunteers are needed reimbursement. However, we do have volunteers who will not take reimbursements because "it is part of the volunteerism".

Transportation, while not the only service offered, is the most requested. Other services include friendly visiting and respite. Through November 2009 our agency has rendered 1,520 individual services. This means that more than 6.6 services are provided every working day. Our 80 volunteers are busy.

In 2009 we received grants through the New Hampshire Charitable foundation from The Wolfeboro Fund and the Bald Peak community Fund. We are grateful to these eminent organizations for their confidence in our program. We are also fortunate that All saints Church, First Congregation church and St. Katharine Drexel Church have provided donations for years. Recently, donations have come from the towns of Alton, Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro. It is through the generosity of these organizations and towns that we are able to continue our services and perhaps expand in the future.

In the 23 years since our founding, we feel we have filled a great need in our communities. It is because of the caring and involvement of the people in these towns that we have been able to provide the needed services. We are fortunate that we live in towns where people care about each other.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Bentley, Coordinator